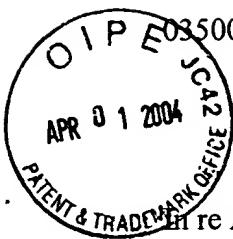


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PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Filed: December 15, 2000

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 29, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows. The claims changes are reflected in the listing that begins at page 2, proposed drawing changes and new drawing sheets are identified beginning at page 6, and the Remarks begin at page 7.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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